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## DOCTORS STRIKE TALKS STALLED

MACABEE DEAN

Jerusalem Post Reporters  
— Negotiations between striking doctors and the government have stalled at the 60 per cent level. The doctors' side is unwilling to budge from its previous stand. The government, on the other hand, is demanding a 60 per cent increase in the basic pay of the doctors. The doctors' side is unwilling to budge from its previous stand. The government, on the other hand, is demanding a 60 per cent increase in the basic pay of the doctors.

gistered nurses are demanding more money. They are "linked" to the "non-academic laboratory technicians" and the latter are "linked" to the doctors, and receive 70 per cent of the doctors' basic pay of the doctors.

Since the government has offered to increase the basic pay of the doctors to 114,000, this means that both the "non-academic laboratory technicians" (who are not planning a strike at this date) and the registered nurses should receive a starting basic wage of 117,000.

Yesterday that if by June 22 the government did not agree to increase the basic pay scale of all the nurses, the nurses would not only go out on strike but also withdraw from the Nurses Union in the Histadrut and set up their own union.

The nurses strike, of course, would effectively close down the government hospitals since the 6,000 government administrative and service workers in hospitals are planning to go out on strike on June 24.

Their strike, originally scheduled to start on Sunday, was postponed for one week in order to give the employers time to meet their demands which are a "true equalization" of their pay and conditions with those of their opposite numbers in Kupat Holim.

Such equalization was recently reached in the overwhelming majority of the cases, but a few weeks ago Kupat Holim signed a new wage agreement with its administrative and service workers granting them pay increases. Although the increases are slight, they destroy the former equalization, the spokesmen for the administrative and service workers said yesterday.

The central committee of the Israel Medical Association will meet today to discuss the future conduct of the strike and on Sunday the National Council of the IMA will meet to discuss the decision to be taken today.

## V, radio strike still on

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— A strike of TV and radio continues today as the fourth day. The Labour Relations Officer of the Ministry, Mr. Gideon, announced last night that the strike would continue today. The strike is still on.

request the Journalists' Association is permitting civilian journalists, to continue on their jobs. Those employed part-time are to continue working.

Galei Zahal has been on the air since the beginning of the strike, using military personnel mostly. Despite the strike, broadcasting personnel are going to work daily according to their regular schedules, waiting around the cafeteria or studios until it is time to leave. Because of this, broadcasts can be resumed at very short notice once the strike is settled.

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## Vietnam troops ordered to stop fighting

SAIGON. — South Vietnam and the Vietcong last night issued orders to their troops to stop fighting and observe what is in effect a second cease-fire.

The military commands of both sides used radio broadcasts to back up orders already sent to senior commanders to cease hostilities at 0400 G.M.T. today.

The appeal follows the signing of a communiqué in Paris on Wednesday by representatives of the U.S., North Vietnam, South Vietnam and the Vietcong.

The communiqué is aimed at implementing provisions already in the original accord signed in Paris on January 27, but it falls short of any guarantees and avoids key issues such as the presence of North Vietnamese troops in South Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos and continued fighting in Cambodia, where there is no official truce.

(Reuter, AP, UPI)

## I won't say a word on Watergate: Brezhnev

MOSCOW (UPI). — Soviet Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev said last night that he is not going to the U.S. next week with any intention of bringing pressure to bear on President Nixon because of his troubles over the Watergate affair.

Mr. Brezhnev made the statement during a meeting — lasting more than three hours — with 11 American newsmen, the first such meeting he has ever held. He was replying to a question.

"I would regard it as completely indecent for me to refer to it (Watergate) in this conversation with you, nor will I refer to it in the U.S.," said Mr. Brezhnev.

The Soviet leader said that "I have a very great respect" for Nixon based on the fact that the President had taken a "realistic and constructive approach" to improving relations between the U.S. and Soviet Union.

Brezhnev, looking tired and red-eyed, met the newsmen in the large, third-floor conference room of the Kremlin.

He replied to questions on Russian Jews and said that the controversy over restrictions on Jewish emigration had been "artificially raised." Only Jews whose work was connected with national security were denied permission to leave.

He could not understand why some people should want to tie "the whole future of Soviet-American relations" to the question of one individual or another who has been denied permission to emigrate.

Mr. Brezhnev cited statistics on the leading role of many Jews in Soviet society, and affirmed that he had many Jewish friends.

Mr. Brezhnev said there was no law in the Soviet Union forbidding a citizen from leaving and going to another country if that departure were justified. "But I'm sure any nation has a law where it is forbidden to certain categories of people connected with what is called national security from leaving their country. I am told there is such a law in Israel too, and I'm sure the U.S. has similar rules."

## Nixon sets freeze on prices

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Nixon on Wednesday night imposed a 90-day freeze on all retail prices but left wages unaffected in his fourth major attempt in less than two years to dampen inflation.

"Every American family is confronted with a real and pressing problem of higher prices," Mr. Nixon said in a radio-television address to the nation. "I have decided that the time has come to take strong and effective action to deal with this problem."

The freeze affects all retail prices, including groceries, but does not cover rents, interest rates or raw agricultural products at the farm level.

Mr. Nixon said wages will continue to be governed by the flexible Phase III guidelines.



President Nixon, just after he delivered his address ordering a freeze on prices. (AP radiophoto)

The President issued an executive order freezing prices at their highest level of last week. He did not put back prices to earlier lower levels.

"The reason I have decided not to freeze wages is that the wage settlements reached under the rules of Phase III have not been a significant cause of the increase in prices," Mr. Nixon said. "As long as wage settlements continue to be reasonable, and non-inflationary, a wage freeze will not be imposed."

In addition, Mr. Nixon asked Congress to give him flexible authority to restrict the exports of commodities — especially wheat, rice, and feed grains — that are in short supply and have been subject to sharp increases in prices.

## LEBANESE CRISIS WORSENS

# Premier quits, raps Moslem 'conspiracies'

By ANAN SAFADI, Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Lebanese Premier Amin el-Hafez last night tendered the resignation of his 50-day-old government which was jolted with army-terrorist clashes early last month and the subsequent political unrest which threatened Lebanon with a Christian-Moslem sectarian crisis.

The resignation of the 47-year-old professor of economics came two days after the Lebanese Parliament put off a vote of confidence in his government following the sudden walkout by two ministers from the 17-man Cabinet. The two men quit at the height of Moslem pressure on Hafez to resign on the grounds he was not strong enough to safeguard Moslem interests.

Dr. Hafez resigned once before early last month amid clashes between the Lebanese troops and the terrorists. But he withdrew his resignation after a truce was achieved. Dr. Hafez formed his government on April 25, replacing ex-Premier Sa'eb Salam who resigned 18 hours after an Israeli raid on the Patah establishment inside Beirut on April 10.

In his long letter of resignation last night, Dr. Hafez lashed at the leaders of his own Moslem community, accusing them of having conspired against a progressive policy aimed at maintaining the traditional politicians in power.

The Premier mentioned no names although he was believed to have been referring to ex-Premier Salam and Rashid Karuni both of whom were reported to have objected to Hafez' independent-minded political activities and the inclusion of two young Moslem ministers in his Cabinet.

manoeuvres by his rivals, he preferred to quit — despite the fact that he could have obtained a vote of confidence last Tuesday in Parliament where 63 out of the 99 deputies had showed up for the ballot.

Meanwhile, there was no indication from Beirut on whether Hafez' resignation had been accepted, although it appears he is unlikely to be recalled to form a new government.

The Hafez government had been recently subjected to attacks by various Arab capitals which claimed that the Lebanese authorities were planning to liquidate the terrorist movement in their territory.

## Soviets warn Beirut

BEIRUT (AP). — Soviet Ambassador Sarvar Azimov has warned a left-wing Lebanese leader of an "imminent Israeli military attack" on Lebanon, knowledgeable sources reported.

Moscow's warning was relayed to Socialist Party leader Kamal Jumblatt in a meeting on Thursday evening, the sources said.

An Israeli officer was killed in a clash with the terrorists on Wednesday morning.

An Israeli reprisal is expected in the next few days, or hours, the sources quoted Azimov as telling, Jumblatt. Shortly after the ambassador left Jumblatt's residence, the Lebanese leader summoned Patah chief Yasser Arafat and briefed him on the Soviet warning, the sources said.

## Sadat made secret two-day visit to Damascus over Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat yesterday returned to Cairo after a two-day secret visit to Syria, it was announced in the Egyptian capital last night. Sadat was said to have held several meetings with Syrian President Hafez Assad.

The Egyptian Presidential Secretary for Information, Ashraf Marwan, said that Sadat and Assad "reviewed all aspects of the situation in the region." Marwan made a special mention of the two leaders' discussion of the situation in Lebanon where a government crisis has erupted over a sectarian conflict concerning Beirut's relations with the Palestinian terrorist organizations and with neighbouring Syria.

Marwan said that the Egyptian Ambassador to Beirut, Lutfi Metwally, was summoned to Damascus during the Sadat-Assad talks, to convey a message from the Egyptian leader to Lebanese President Suleiman Franjeh about the situation in Lebanon.

The contents of the message were not disclosed, but Marwan said that the Egyptian and Syrian leaders had reaffirmed the importance of the national unity of the brotherly Lebanese people. "They warned of the 'hazards of slipping towards internal divisions which could not

President was in the process of holding an important round of consultations with other Arab leaders for possible joint action against Israel.

The Cairo paper's report came amid Egyptian expressions of frustration over the current Middle East debate at the U.N. Security Council. Cairo feels that Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammed Hassan Zayyat has failed to rally Security Council backing for imposing on Israel the implementation of the Arab interpretation of resolution 242.

Another Cairo paper, "Al-Gomhuriya," yesterday warned that Egypt may still resort to force in the Middle East crisis, even at the expense of the American-Soviet detente. The paper said that "the Soviet leadership is keenly aware, through its close contacts with Cairo, that Egypt is serious about restoring the occupied territories by force regardless of the consequences."

"Al-Gomhuriya" added that the Soviet Union was not likely to ignore the fact that "a time bomb might explode at any time in an area adjacent to its southern flank."

In Beirut, the leading "An-Nahar" newspaper yesterday repeated an earlier report that Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin will visit Syria on July 4 for the dedication of a Euphrates River dam and a possible summit meeting with the Syrian, Egyptian and Libyan heads of state.

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## U.S., Israel challenge Soviet envoy's conduct in Council's M.-E. debate

UNITED NATIONS. — The United States and Israel yesterday challenged the conduct of Soviet ambassador Jacob Malik as president of the U.N. Security Council in the Middle East debate.

Israel accused Malik of "misusing his office" and presenting "unilateral, selective and distorted interpretations" of resolutions made by the U.N.

The U.S. questioned Malik's right to speak for the whole 15-nation Council, and noted that Malik had not consulted members before making his statement. "I must assume you were speaking in your individual capacity," U.S. Ambassador John Scall told Malik.

The rift developed when Malik, replying to questions Egypt had put to the whole Council, cited various U.N. charter provisions and resolutions as holding that the Palestinian Arabs had the right to self-determination.

Israeli ambassador Yosef Tekoah charged that Malik had usurped the right to speak for the entire Council and misused the presidency "to present unilateral, selected and distorted interpretations of the United Nations charter and resolutions of organs of the organization."

He said Malik's behaviour proved that Council debates on the Middle East only widened differences and

that the Council "is not a forum which offers the possibility of examining" the Middle East situation seriously. Mr. Tekoah also said Malik had omitted mention of the charter provision that "overshadows all the others" — the article giving every U.N. member the right of self defence against attack.

Later in the debate, the U.S. expressed friendship for all countries of the Middle East, urged the Arabs and Israel to join in a step-by-step approach to peace.

"It could begin," U.S. ambassador John Scall said, "with an agreement on some Israeli withdrawal in Sinai and a reopening of the Suez Canal within the context of an extended cease-fire as the first stage on the road to a final settlement."

FIRST STEP

"Such a first step would be firmly linked to a final agreed settlement," Scall said. "But whether a beginning is made in this or some other way is less important than that such a process be started without delay. I assure you that my government is fully prepared to do its part to facilitate and sustain objectively and fairly any such process of negotiation until the goal the Council set for itself over five and one-half years ago is achieved."

Earlier, Australia said the presence of Egyptian and Israeli delegates in the current debate might mark "the beginning of a kind of dialogue which could conceivably open a small door towards negotiation."

Sir Laurence McNair, chief Australian delegate, said the best prospect for an enduring peace would flow "from an agreement freely arrived at between the parties." This should also grow out of "full implementation" of Council Resolution 242, of November 22, 1967.

Jordanian ambassador Abdul Hamid Sharaf said the 1967 Council resolution provided for Israel's return to the pre-war lines and "when we, the Arab parties, accepted (it) that is what it obviously meant."

"Jordan, like its Arab neighbours, will not give up any part of its occupied territory to the occupying power," he said.

The debate was scheduled to be adjourned last night until about July 16, ostensibly to permit mem-

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## 2 small bombs explode in Tel Aviv trash cans

By ZEEV SOHUL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two small bombs exploded in garbage cans within a block of each other in south Tel Aviv yesterday morning, slightly injuring a kiosk owner.

Both charges consisted of sections of pipe, filled with 20 to 30 grammes of explosives and were set off by an undisclosed type of delay action device.

The first charge, detonated at 8.30 a.m., destroyed a municipal trash can on the corner of Aliyah and Salameh Streets, but caused no other damage.

The second bomb, believed to have been planted by the same person, went off at 11.50 a.m. It had been placed inside a garbage can belonging to Haim Greenblatt, 64, inside the yard at 91 Herzl Street.

Mr. Greenblatt, who was adding refuse to the can when the bomb exploded, suffered light injuries to his hand and elbow and was taken to Hadassah Hospital in Tel Aviv. Little evidence remained of the explosion by early afternoon. The garbage can was still intact but there were a few rips in a nearby metal shutter apparently caused by pieces of flying metal. Mr. Greenblatt's kiosk — actually a combined snack bar, soda fountain and lottery ticket stand — remained firmly shuttered.

This was the first terrorist explosion reported from the Tel Aviv area in over two and a half months. The previous incident occurred on a vacant lot in the vicinity of the central bus station.

Garbage cans are an old and trusted method used by the terrorists. The bombs are usually home-made and used to be fitted with so-called "pendul" type time fuses. Yesterday, a new type of fuse was used — possibly sensitive only to jarring. In this case, the victims might have been Arabs since many of the dustmen now employed in the Dan area are Arabs from the West Bank.

The bomb on Herzl Street was wrapped in a piece of bread.

## Lansky gets year and a day in jail

MIAMI (AP). — Meyer Lansky, reputed underworld financial manipulator, was sentenced yesterday to a year and a day in prison for disobeying a subpoena that ordered him to return from Israel to appear before a federal grand jury.

Lansky, 72, was released on bond pending an appeal of his conviction on the contempt of court charge in Miami last February.

Lansky was sentenced by U.S. district judge James King, who presided at the contempt trial.

FIRE BROKE OUT yesterday in the hut serving as the paint warehouse of the Model Beton plant in Ma'alot. Acre firemen helped control the blaze, the cause of which is still unknown.

## J'lem zebra caught with stripes down

The zebra in Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo gave birth yesterday to a neuter offspring who resembles his mother only in the stripes around his legs. The rest of the newborn looks like his father — a two-and-a-half-year-old donkey.

The zoo has dubbed the little creature Hamzev — from the Hebrew *hamor* (donkey) and *zebra*.

The union was not exactly planned, zoo officials said yesterday. The donkey was brought to the zoo when he was only a few days old, by a policeman who had found him abandoned by his mother. The zookeepers fed him from a bottle at first, but when they put him in the zebra's cage he began nursing so insistently from her that she started lactating. The wet nurse apparently enjoyed her new role, and seemed to adopt the little donkey as her own offspring. But the donkey grew up and eventually began mounting the only female in sight — his adoptive mother.

The zoo is rather pleased with the result, however, as Hamzev is believed to be the only animal of his kind in the world. Although there are several cases on record of pony-and-zebra hybrids, zoologists there said, there is no known case of a zebra mating successfully with a donkey. (Itm)

## No further word from Bourguiba

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The Prime Minister's Office said yesterday that Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba has failed to follow up his offer to meet Premier Golda Meir to discuss peace in the Middle East.

The Prime Minister's Office was commenting on rumours that a meeting between the Tunisian leader and Mrs. Golda Meir was to be held in Geneva this week. The reports were apparently sparked off by the sudden arrival of Mr. Bourguiba in Geneva on Wednesday and Mrs. Meir's cancellation of her public appearances.

The rumours came about three weeks after a press statement by Mr. Bourguiba that he would be willing to meet Mrs. Meir to discuss the Middle East crisis. Mr. Bourguiba's statement was subsequently followed by an Israeli announcement that Mrs. Meir was prepared to meet him at any time, and in any place.

The possibility of such a meeting has since been explored by a third party, which was yesterday identified by informed sources as being the Italian Government.

Commenting on the rumours of a Bourguiba-Meir meeting in Geneva this week, the Prime Minister's Office said in a statement yesterday that "no reply was received to Israel's announced readiness to meet with Mr. Bourguiba." The statement added that "such a meeting could not have taken place in any case, as the Prime Minister is now staying at home, at her residence in Jerusalem."

Commenting on the reports, the Minister Without Portfolio, Mr. Israel Galili, said yesterday: "There is no reason not to agree to such a meeting. On the contrary, if President Bourguiba should propose a meeting, this would be readily accepted, provided the proposal is not made dependent on Israel's agreement to return to the 1947 or 1967 borders, but is kept free from any pre-imposed conditions. To the best of my knowledge no such meeting has been proposed to us so far."

In Geneva, a spokesman for Mr. Bourguiba was quoted as saying yesterday that he knew of no plan for a meeting with Mrs. Meir and the Tunisian President. He added: "I doubt that it would be possible."

## PAYIS WINNERS

The IL150,000 grand prizes in the Mifal Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets No. 222285 and 760735. No. 459626 won IL50,000. Numbers ending in 538515 and 538515 won IL2,500. Tickets 133585, 374113, 511644 and 629075 won IL6,250. Tickets ending in "5" won IL4.

The following won IL1,250: 182015, 451756, 654562, 798307, 790150, 179769, 448649, 608398, 777580, 166909, 378501, 585277, 750445, 102097, 265668, 588271, 885311, 042683, 182965, 524190 and 677739.

Tickets ending with 0622, 16856, 18385, 43879, 44364, 47132, 68887, 72384, 80287 and 99760 won IL600. Tickets ending with 00013, 01882, 04856, 08097, 16436, 22751, 23845, 23618, 25850, 28360, 29227, 47421, 48100, 49907, 55004, 52358, 57286, 67134, 72384, 73605, 76999, 85158, 87912, 90947 and 97772 won IL250.

Tickets ending with 0945, 2401, 5713, 6534, 8429, 9235 and 9390 won IL100. Tickets ending with the following four digits won IL60: 0111, 0177, 0288, 0542, 0683, 0699, 1066, 1069, 1394, 1633, 2365, 2610, 2915, 4035, 4134, 4207, 4535, 4673, 4511, 5201, 5240, 5510, 5594, 5726, 6287, 7123, 7493, 7606, 7672, 7732, 7884, 7908, 8010, 8499, 8576, 8676, 9382, 9530 and 9604.

NAFTALI BAR-GIORA, 52, deputy director of the Jewish Agency Immigration and Absorption Department since 1968, has been appointed head of the World Zionist Organization's Aliya Section, and will be responsible for immigration from Western countries, the W.Z.O. announced.

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## Hebrew U. professors hold hunger strike for Soviet scientists

Jerusalem Post Staff

About 50 Hebrew University professors held a one-day hunger strike in solidarity with the seven Moscow Jewish scientists striking since Sunday for their right to emigrate to Israel.

The professors included the rector, Prof. Michael Rabin, department heads and immigrant teachers from the U.S.S.R.

The professors issued a statement saying: "We appeal to our colleagues in the free world, to all who care about the freedom of man, to help the Russian Jews attain their basic right to join their people in their homeland." They appealed to American Jews to demonstrate during next week's visit to Washington by Soviet party chief Leonid Brezhnev.

Tel Aviv University professors and senior lecturers will hold a similar hunger strike Sunday morning.

The initiator of the move, Tel Aviv University President, Prof. Yuval Ne'eman, will not be present as he will be going abroad to approach scientists throughout the world to ask them to demonstrate their solidarity.

Professor Ne'eman, who is in frequent contact with the Soviet scientists in his role as the Israel Public Council for Soviet Jewry, was told by the Moscow strikers that they are willing to die if they do not receive exit visas.

More such demonstrations are planned in other institutions of higher learning around the country. The Tel Aviv strikers will start their one-day fast at 9 a.m. Sunday, and will take part in a demonstration at the library building on campus.

## KGB shadowing new group of Jews

By SARAH HONIG, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The hunger strikers in Moscow reported yesterday that KGB agents have started shadowing those Jews whom they suspect of being possible defectors.

Many Jews who had previously had no encounters with the Soviet secret police have now been called in and interrogated. Eleven men were briefly arrested yesterday but were released after several hours of questioning.

This was disclosed yesterday by one of the Moscow strikers, Prof. Lutz, who spoke on the telephone with Prof. Michael Zand, a Soviet immigrant himself, and a Hebrew University professor who took part in the hunger strike on campus yesterday. He told Prof. Zand that the strikers are still feeling well on their fifth day without nourishment, and that their spirits are high. They have many visitors, he said.

Another of the Moscow strikers, Prof. Alexander Voronel, said that he was informed that many telegrams were sent to him from Israel on the occasion of his son's wedding, but that only two reached him. The Soviet authorities, it seems, have taken to withholding mail from Jews who are leaders of the protest movement.

UPI reports from Moscow that the KGB has warned 10 Moscow Jewish activists that they will go to jail if they try to demonstrate during Leonid Brezhnev's visit to the U.S., according to Jewish sources. They said the Jews also were told that they would improve their chances of emigrating to Israel if they "behave," while the Communist Party General Secretary is a guest of President Nixon.

## Court rejects appeal by Hyatt promoter

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH, Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Supreme Court yesterday rejected an appeal by the promoters of the Hyatt House Hotel against a recommendation by the Local Planning Committee that the hotel proposed for Mount Scopus be limited to four storeys. The promoters have asked for 24 storeys.

The court decision, however, does not necessarily mean that the hotel will be limited to four storeys. The recommendation by the Local Planning Committee is not binding on the District Planning Commission, which has yet to make a final decision in the matter.

The hotel promoters, the French HHI Hotel Corporation, had argued in court that the four-storey limitation recommended by the Local Planning Commission had been made because of pressure by the news media and therefore should be declared invalid. The court, in an opinion written by Judge Yehuda Cohen, said that the corporation should have addressed itself directly to the District Planning Commission and not to the courts. The court also rejected on the same grounds an appeal against the hotel by three residents of Jerusalem, Prof. Arye Shachar of Hebrew University, Micha Shoter, and Amos Klausner, who said they were aggrieved by the proposed high-rise building.

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It was postponed until June 11 when the commission approved it for hotel purposes but rejected a plan for a 71-metre-high hotel. It was left to the promoters to submit a new plan but there stipulation as to height. The planning month, the Local Planning Committee — which is the District Planning Commission — took the unusual recommendation to the District Planning Commission, which has yet to make a final decision in the matter.

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The Hyatt House proposal aroused one of the sharpest planning controversies in Jerusalem a year ago. Strongly backed by the Tourism and Finance Ministries which were eager to have an American hotel chain undertake a project in East Jerusalem, it seemed assured of approval by the District Planning Commission. However, four days before the commission was to decide, a sketch of the proposed building, drawn by Art Kitchner of the Municipal Urban Planning Unit appeared in the *Jerusalem Post* and *Ma'ariv*. It showed the tall, bulky building looming over the Dome of the Rock. Interior Minister Burg personally called the commission chairman, Rafi Levi, to express his disapproval. The Interior Committee, Mordechai Kats, asked that the commission be postponed.

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A resident of Hebron got a Court order yesterday against Israeli authorities, claiming that he legally took over a building that belongs to him and have refused to return it.

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Location	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's Forecast
Jerusalem	51	17-25	19-25
Golan	51	14-23	15-24
Nahariya	69	17-25	18-28
Safed	38	15-23	15-26
Haifa	63	20-28	19-28
Tiberias	36	19-34	20-35
Nazareth	43	17-28	18-29
Afula	42	18-29	19-30
Shomron	34	18-25	17-27
Tel Aviv	65	18-27	18-27
Lod	39	15-29	16-30
Jericho	24	18-36	20-38
Qana	24	18-36	19-38
Beersheba	22	15-31	16-33
Bilat	24	24-37	24-38
Tiran	19	25-34	25-35

## Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir took part yesterday in a symposium on Science and Humanism held in Tel Aviv to mark the anniversary of the murder at Lod Airport of his brother Aharon Katzir.

Mrs. Nina Katzir held a reception at her home on Wednesday for 40 women taking part in the Eighth International Seminar for Women in Public Life.

Absorption Minister Nathan Peled met yesterday in Tel Aviv with a study group of the British Conservative Party's young guard, currently visiting Israel.

Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem gave a reception yesterday at the Jerusalem Theatre for members of the Bat Dor dance troupe, on the eve of the troupe's departure for a South American tour.

Police Inspector Ido Gur will speak on "Narcotics" at the Haifa Engineers Club at one p.m. today.

Ezra Shapiro, chairman of the Directorate of Keren Hayesod, awarded scholarships to outstanding students of the Israel Goldstein Youth Village at Jerusalem's Beit Shalom Wednesday night, on the occasion of Dr. Goldstein's 77th birthday. Among those present were Zeev Shickler, director of the Youth Village, and S.J. Kreutner, director-general of Keren Hayesod.

## ARRIVALS

Deputy Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi, from Denmark and Britain, where he met with transport officials.

## DEPARTURES

Interior Minister Yosef Burg, to Europe, for a lecture on behalf of Israel Bonds (by El Al).

## Austrian P.M. will visit Israel

Austrian Premier Bruno Kreisky has accepted an invitation from Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu to visit Israel, the Government Press Office announced yesterday.

Mr. Yeshayahu, who is heading a six-man Knesset delegation now on an official visit to Austria, made the invitation when the delegation discussed with Mr. Kreisky the question of reparations to Austrian Jews who suffered at the hands of the Nazis during World War II. It also asked for the transfer to Israel of a number of archives of Jewish communities, taken by the Nazis to Eisenstadt in Austria.

At the meeting Mr. Yeshayahu gave Mr. Kreisky a set of Israel 25th Anniversary medals.



## Yadin at Mount Scopus 18 battle of Latrun as strategic error

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Yadin, who was in command of the military operations in the War of Independence, said this week that the attempt to break the Jewish siege of the Temple Mount in mid-May 1948 was a strategic error of that war. Yadin, who was in command of the military operations in the War of Independence, said this week that the attempt to break the Jewish siege of the Temple Mount in mid-May 1948 was a strategic error of that war.

Central Front in the Six Day War, said that he feared at the outbreak of the war that the Jordanian army would attempt to seize Mount Scopus. He therefore dispatched an armoured brigade to attack northeast of Jerusalem to head off Jordanian armoured units approaching from the Jordan Valley.

## Survivor of Libyan crash leaves hospital

By HERBERT BEN-ADIM  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HERBERT BEN-ADIM. — One of the last two survivors of February's Libyan plane crash still at Soroka Hospital here was discharged yesterday. Assad Shaker Fayeh Amrini, 21, himself a Libyan, was taken by a Magen David Adom ambulance in company with his brother Nimr to their sister's home in Nabulus. Amrini will spend the next two months there at Government expense, receiving continued out-patient treatment. He is to return to Soroka later to undergo another operation.

## Ground broken for Hatikva club

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Ground was broken here yesterday for the Denny Moore Community Centre in the Hatikva Quarter.

The centre is named after the son of Manufacturers Association president Mark Moscovici, who was killed in a plane crash two years ago. Construction will be financed by the Moscovici family. It will be the biggest centre of its kind in the shom quarter.

Directly adjacent to the training grounds of the Bnei Yehuda football team, the centre will provide sports facilities for youngsters including a swimming pool, gym and ball courts. Other facilities geared for both children and adults, will be a library, study rooms, lecture rooms and hobby facilities.

The plans envisage completion of construction in two and half of three years.



Prof. Natas Fawzi stands in front of his unfinished statue of Jesus in a garden near Bethlehem after he began repairing it yesterday. Vandals had chipped away the nose and part of the chin Tuesday night. Prof. Fawzi glued on the pieces, tied them on to hold them, and will begin sculpting again when the glue dries. (Y. Barzilay)

## Gets 4 years for pushing girl into prostitution

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A 29-year-old man convicted of driving a teenage girl into prostitution and living off her earnings was sentenced to four years' imprisonment yesterday, with another two years suspended.

The man, Yosef Stern of Ramat Gan, ran a brothel in the District Courtroom when his sentence was pronounced and had to be dragged back to the lock-up by police reinforcements.

Prosecution counsel Rivka Spisler told the court Stern met the girl in 1970, when she was only 15. He took advantage of the girl's youth, and her loneliness and depression, to force her into prostitution. He made a total of IL6,000 from "customers" he brought her, the prosecutor told Judge Hanna Eshkol.

The girl recently managed to get away from Stern and went to work for an understanding family which helped her get back on her feet and convinced her to go to the police and file charges against Stern, the judge said in her verdict.

"The plaintiff is an intelligent young woman who found the emotional strength to save herself," Judge Eshkol wrote, adding that she believed every word of the victim's complaint. (Hem)

## Government brains fail to split the matchstick

By YAA'AOV FREIDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The best brains in the government have given up a six-month-long attempt to "split the matchstick." The price of a single box of matches is going up from five to six agorot, 20 per cent, though the official price rise approved by the Commerce Ministry's Price Commission for the manufacturers, the Nur company, is only 16.8 per cent.

The Post learned that the company asked for a price rise half a year ago, due to rising costs, but the government was stumped. Five agorot was a nice round number while six is virtually "impossible," because customers are unlikely even to bother to try and get four agorot change, both because four agorot have become worthless in the present inflation, and because there is a shortage of the aluminum agorot, whose intrinsic metal value is now higher than the nominal value.

Indeed, Bank Leumi, in an effort to get small change during the month of May, offered IL1.10 to any customer bringing in 100 agorot. The commission approved a rise from 54 to 64 agorot for a packet of matches, containing a dozen boxes, which works out to an 18.5 per cent rise. The Nur company will get only 16.8 per cent of this rise, management told The Post. The extra 1.7 per cent will go to the retailers, to raise their profit margin, which will be adjusted even further "at the next price rise."

Mr. Weismann said that Nur, too, was not too anxious to raise the price in order not to reduce sales.

Now the company will run an advertising campaign urging housewives to buy matches by the dozen, "and make your 64 agorot worth 72."

For the smoker, who needs only one box at a time, the only advice Mr. Weismann has is to "buy three for 20 agorot," unless you are very determined and insist on your kiosk or shopkeeper scraping up four agorot change, for a single box.

The company sells about 13 million boxes a year. One possibility that had been discussed was to reduce the number of matches per box, which now averages 45. But this would have entailed a change in the automatic filling machines, "which would have cost us several million pounds." It would also have caused difficulties for the Standards Institute, which is geared to an average 45 sticks per box.

Finally, after much match-splitting, "everybody gave up" and the price went up to six agorot per box, which everybody recognizes as a "fiction" that is quite impracticable.

The whole question has occupied the Government for so long because matches are included in the cost-of-living calculations, for which the official and not the actual rise will be taken into consideration.

Other price increases approved by the Commerce Ministry's public price committee this week are: textbooks, 10 per cent; meat, 12 per cent; and acrylic fibres, five per cent.

In foods, the maximum wholesale price of honey has been raised by 88 agorot per kilo. The new retail prices have not yet been set.



Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir is shown new, automated diamond-polishing equipment at the Diamond Pavilion at the Tel Aviv Exhibition Grounds during Diamond Week, which ended yesterday. From left to right are Haim Danieli, chairman of the organizing committee of Diamond Week; Azriel Ben-Moshe, secretary of the diamond industry; the Minister; and Moshe Schmitzer, president of the Diamond Exchange. On Wednesday night Mr. Sapir was guest of honour at the Accadia Hotel at a dinner for 800 diamond merchants and their wives, including 187 foreign buyers from 14 countries. Mr. Sapir awarded gold medals to six of the foreign buyers for their contributions to the development of the diamond industry in Israel. One of them was Vivian Frins, a young businessman from London, who was seriously injured by a letter bomb sent him earlier this year. He received a standing ovation from the other guests. (Moshe Zim)

## Kavalek the winner in int'l chess tourney

By ELIAHU SHAHAF  
Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

NETANYA. — U.S. International Grandmaster Lubomir Kavalek won the international chess tournament here Wednesday night, finishing unbeaten with a score of 11 points out of 15 games. Runner-up was I.G.M. Sammy Reshevsky of the U.S., with 10 points.

Winner Kavalek is the former Czech national champion who went into a self-imposed exile in 1968 and is now a resident of Washington, D.C.

In the tourney's final round Kavalek drew with Tatal, Reshevsky drew with Friedman, Damjanovic beat Camara, Rom beat Domnitz, Kraidman drew with Peretz, Czerniak drew with Yanofsky, Pachman drew with Salty, and Kaidor beat Porat. In the adjourned games of the 14th round Kaidor beat Camara, Pachman drew with Peretz and Salty drew with Friedman.

The final results were: Lubomir Kavalek (U.S.), 11 points; Samuel Reshevsky (U.S.), 10; Ludak Pachman (Czechoslovakia), 9; Mato Damjanovic (Yugoslavia), 9; each; Yair Kraidman (Israel) and Anthony Salty (U.S.), 9 each; Abraham Yanofsky (Canada), 8; Malkiel Peretz (Israel), 7; Moshe Czerniak and Shmuel Friedman (Israel), 7 each; Stefano Tatal (Italy), 6; Avraham Kaidor (Israel), 6; Yosef Porat, Meir Rom and Zaidok Domnitz (all Israel), 5; each; and Helder Camara (Brazil), 3; points.

The second international tourney, held alongside the first but with no Grandmasters competing, was won by National Master Yitzhak Kadashnikov, a newcomer from the Soviet Union, with 8½ points out of 11 games. Second place went to Denmark's Ole Jacobsen with 8 points. They were followed by L. Pisetsky (Canada) at 7½, D. Levy

(Scotland), A. Rosenberg (Israel) and R. Cardoso (Philippines) with 6½ each, and B. Soos (West Germany), L. Lederman, Z. Cesakow, M. Canani, S. Dudakov, A. Gunberger, A. Avner (all Israel) and P. Opolc (Yugoslavia), with 6 each. A total of 26 players took part. The closing ceremony and presentation of prizes took place last night at the Goldar hotel here, where the two international tournaments were held.

## Spain cancels appearance of Israel orchestra

By SHAYA SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Spanish Government has cancelled the scheduled participation of the Broadcasting Authority Symphony Orchestra in the Santander Festival, Yehuda Fickler, director of the orchestra, told the press here yesterday.

The cancellation came as a surprise to the Ibermusica Impresarios of Madrid who had been negotiating the event for months. The Israel Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra was to be conducted by Lukas Foss and Yehuda Fickler on three dates in August at the festival in Santander, a sea resort on the Bay of Biscay.

"The Spanish Government considers the orchestra's visit inconvenient at the moment," the Israel Broadcasting Authority has been informed. The move was obviously made under the pressure of Arab ambassadors in Madrid who objected to any event, even cultural, which could be interpreted as a rapprochement between Israel and Spain.

## Police waiting for Farkas to give self up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — "The police are waiting for Nahman Farkas to come to the station and Farkas is waiting for the police to chase him," the police spokesman here said yesterday.

Farkas, an ex-convict noted for his many jail breaks, is wanted for assault, threats, damage to property and trespassing. The police, who have obtained an order for arrest, consider him a fugitive from justice but are waiting for him to come out of his hideout in one of the caves between here and Rosh Pina.

"We're not giving in to his wish for publicity, and are going to wait until he obeys the order of the Magistrate," the spokesman said. Meanwhile, the 37-year-old ex-convict's young common-law wife has taken their seven-month-old son and left for an unknown destination, determined to make a fresh start in life without trying further to reform Farkas.

Farkas' most recent previous brush with the law involved his growing Indian hemp (a source of hashish) and assaulting the secretary at Moshav Amirim, which had "adopted" him. At the trial last October he drew an eight-month suspended sentence after his wife's father promised to help the couple get settled.

## Man stabs wife aboard El Al jet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — A former mental patient stabbed his wife in the face with a pocket-knife yesterday morning on board an El Al jet, about half an hour before the plane, a 747 jumbo out of New York, was due to land here.

The wife escaped with superficial injuries.

Rim reported that the man, 64 years old, is a survivor of European extermination camps. He emigrated to the U.S. after his release but had been suffering from fits of schizophrenia. He had been hospitalized on repeated occasions and apparently became irritated and excited during the long flight to Israel despite his wife's attempts to calm him. The couple was denied entry into Israel and asked to return to the U.S. yesterday.

## 325,000 olim due in next 5 years

Some 325,000 Jews are expected to immigrate to Israel during the next five years, Absorption Minister Nathan Peled told a high school audience in Tel Aviv yesterday.

He added that while 60,000 Russian immigrants had come here in the past three years, only 1,000 emigres had gone to other Western countries.

## Winter frost damage estimated at IL63m.

By MOSHE ATZER  
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

The damage caused to Israel agriculture by the severe frost of December-January has been estimated at IL63m. The farmers will be recompensed by the Government Insurance Fund Against Natural Risks. However, the frost damage was so great that the current premium for this insurance is expected to be reappraised, The Post is informed.

Insurance against crop failures due to natural causes — such as frost, floods, hail and storm — was introduced in 1967, and is operated by a special company owned jointly by the state, the farmers' organizations and production and marketing councils. The insurance is based on agreements with growers of various crops, for each of whom a special fund is maintained, with a central fund for covering extra damages.

The insurance rates are fixed annually, as well as the shares transferred to the central fund. However, three-quarters of the central fund's budget is covered by the Government. The insurance now covers most kinds of fruit, cotton, grain, groundnuts, sugar beet, vegetables, flowers, poultry and fish, but not the dairy industry. Drought damages are also excluded, as they are covered by special provisions from the government budget.

During the five-year period ending 1971-72 the company collected premiums amounting to IL22.4m. plus over IL50m. of government contribution, which represents to insured totalled IL72.7m. (excluding IL6.9m. claims pending) and administration IL2m.

Though the company has accumulated a substantial reserve, it will have to borrow heavily from the Government (about IL50m.) in order to be able to pay the heavy frost damage. And it will have to up its premium rates in order to repay that loan over a number of years, and to provide for a possible recurrence of a damage of unpredictable magnitude.

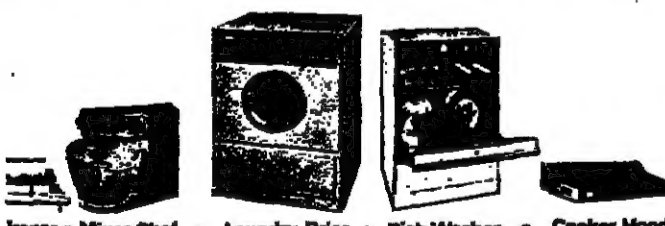
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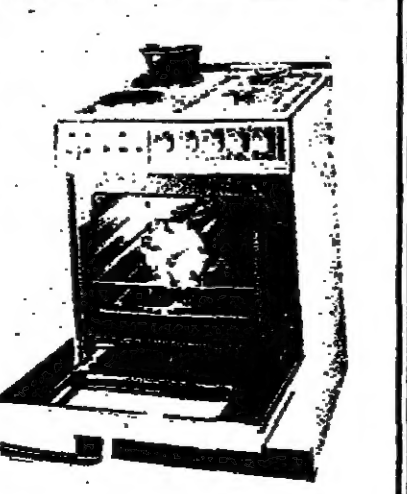
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# MAGRUDER SAYS THAT NIXON DIDN'T KNOW

WASHINGTON. — A leading Watergate witness, Jeb Stuart Magruder, said yesterday that former Attorney-General John Mitchell approved the bugging of the Democratic Party headquarters a year ago.

Carrying out his earlier promise to "name names," the former White House aide listed a string of ex-officials he said had prepared a cover-up story. He admitted his own responsibility for "errors in judgment."

He said as far as he knew President Nixon did not have any prior knowledge of the affair.

Mr. Magruder, who was deputy director of President Nixon's re-election campaign, told the Senate Committee investigating the Watergate bugging scandal of a million dollar plan, submitted by Watergate conspirator G. Gordon Liddy, which called for the use of call girls on a yacht docked in Miami — scene of the Democratic Party convention — to obtain information.

Mr. Liddy had also proposed the abduction of radical leaders who might lead demonstrations during the Republican convention. They were to be held in Mexico until after the conference.

This plan was rejected, but Mr. Mitchell later approved a scaled-down plan which included the tapping and photographing at the Democratic headquarters, the Democratic convention headquarters in Miami and the headquarters of whoever became the Democratic presidential candidate (Senator George McGovern), Mr. Magruder said.



Magruder

Mr. Mitchell, who has been indicted in New York on charges in connection with a secret \$200,000 contribution to the Nixon campaign funds, has admitted taking part in three meetings during which political espionage proposals were discussed, but has denied approving the plans.

He became Mr. Nixon's campaign manager on April 1 last year — a day after he was alleged to have approved the bugging plan.

Asked who participated in the story intended to help cover up involvement in the bugging, Mr. Magruder named Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Frederick LaRue, a former White House aide and Nixon campaign committee member, Mr. Robert Marland, political coordinator for the Nixon re-election committee, and Mr. John Dean, former White House counsel.

He said the committee had to come up with a good story on how Mr. Liddy had spent a total of \$230,000 on legitimate activities.

Mr. Magruder said on the Sunday after the Watergate break-in, Mr. H.R. (Bob) Haldeman, who later resigned as White House chief of staff, telephoned him from the Florida White House at Key Biscayne,

and he gave Mr. Haldeman details as far as he knew them.

Mr. Magruder told the Senate Committee: "Unfortunately, we made some mistakes in the campaign which led to major national concern."

"For those errors in judgment that I made I take full responsibility. I am, after all, a mature man and I am willing to face the consequences of my own acts."

"These mistakes were made by only a few participants in the campaign. Thousands assisted in the campaign to re-elect the President and they did nothing illegal or unethical."

"As far as I know, at no point during this entire period, from the time of planning of the Watergate to the time of trying to keep it from the public view, did the President have any knowledge of our errors in this matter."

## 'WE FAILED HIM'

"He had confidence in his aides and I must confess some of us failed him."

Mr. Magruder has received immunity from prosecution for his testimony before the panel.

He can still be indicted if prosecutors obtain information on his alleged activities in connection with the Watergate scandal from other sources, and he has told reporters he expects to go to prison.

A previous witness before the committee, Mr. Herbert Porter, a former official of the Nixon campaign committee, said he had perjured himself in previous evidence at the request of Mr. Magruder.

Another witness, Mr. Hugh Sloan, former treasurer of the finance committee to re-elect the President, said Mr. Magruder tried unsuccessfully to convince him to give perjured testimony. (Reuter, AP)



Ron Galella, 42, the free-lance photographer who said he was "socked on the jaw" by a hard right hook from the actor Marlon Brando.



Marlon Brando during taping of ABC-TV's "Dick Cavett Show," after which he allegedly punched photographer Galella. (AP radiophotos)

## Photographer says Brando hit him

NEW YORK (AP). — Actor Marlon Brando was admitted to a Manhattan hospital with an acute hand infection on Wednesday night — 24 hours after a photographer said Brando hit him on the jaw.

Yesterday, Brando was receiving antibiotics intravenously.

The photographer, Ronald Galella, said the incident occurred in Chinatown on Tuesday night. He said he had taken about eight pictures of Brando and television personality Dick Cavett, then asked Brando to remove his dark glasses.

Brando replied, "Don't you have enough pictures?" according to Galella, who said he replied: "That's the type of variety I like."

"Then bang. Out of the blue. One punch. I didn't even see it coming."

It was very unfair for him to give no warning," Galella said.

Last year the free-lance photographer was ordered to keep a specified distance from Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and her children after a judge ruled in a lawsuit that he "relentlessly invaded" their privacy.

Galella said he followed Brando and Cavett, both wearing dark glasses, as they headed toward a Chinatown restaurant after taping the "Dick Cavett Show."

"Brando's upset about the mistreatment of Indians," Galella said. "What about the mistreatment of photographers?"

He was referring to Brando's refusal last March to accept an Oscar for "The Godfather" to protest the treatment of American Indians by Hollywood and the government.

## TUPOLEV CRASH REINFORCES SCEPTICISM

# Doubts over Soviet technology

PARIS (Reuter). — The commission investigating the crash near here last week of the Soviet Tupolev-144 supersonic jetliner have offered a reward of 20,000 francs (about £12,500) to anyone who can unearth flight recording equipment lost in the disaster, it was announced yesterday.

The plane crashed in the small town of Gossauville during a demonstration at the Paris air show. The crew of six and nine people in the town were killed.

In Moscow yesterday Alexei Tupolev, chief designer of the plane, said the accident would not "stop further implementation of the programme of supersonic aircraft development in the Soviet Union."

However, the crash has reinforced Western scepticism about Soviet technology, CBNS reports.

Coming on top of recent Soviet failures in space and the extraordinary eagerness with which the U.S.S.R. has welcomed trade and technical ties with the U.S., it suggests that in some fields the U.S.S.R. may be facing a technological crisis.

Before Sputnik, and the first manned orbit of the earth by Yuri Gagarin in 1961, American experts had been inclined to write off Soviet technology as crude. After the early Russian space spectacles, the pendulum swung perhaps too far the other way, with Americans assuming that the Soviet Union had caught up in every branch of technology.

Defence Department spokesmen exploited and sustained this mood in order to extract funds from Congress for new weapons systems.

More recently, it has become clear that in many fields Soviet technology has not kept up. One sign of this has been extraordinary lengths to which the Soviet Union

has gone to tap American expertise by by-passing the State Department ban on the export of sensitive technology to Russia. Computers, scientific instruments and electronic technology have always been high on the banned lists, but this has not stopped the U.S.S.R. from obtaining them — usually through smuggling in information if not actual equipment.

But smuggled scientific equipment is of only limited usefulness. What the Soviet Union really needs, Western experts believe, is the know-how to produce its own computers in vast quantities, and this cannot be obtained entirely by taking Western equipment apart.

Hence Soviet eagerness to do a deal with the U.S. over trade and technology. The recent research pact, covering such items as the applications of computers to management, agricultural research, electrical power system research, and chemical catalysis, will for the first time bring official approval to the exchanges of knowledge which have gone on at a personal level between American and Soviet scientists for some time.

Nobody doubts that it is the U.S.S.R. that has most to gain technologically from the exchange: the pay-off on the American side is political.

## ROGERS AT COPENHAGEN TALKS Nato warned against 'detente euphoria'

COPENHAGEN. — Nato foreign ministers yesterday strongly affirmed the need for the Alliance to maintain its defence efforts as it entered the coming phase of East-West negotiations.

This theme was echoed by the ministers who spoke at the opening session here yesterday morning of the 15-nation Nato council.

American Secretary of State William Rogers warned against what he called the "euphoria of detente" as the Alliance moved towards the East-West European security conference and the negotiations for force reductions in Central Europe.

Britain's Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home said the Western Alliance must continue to ride the twin horses of detente and security. The Alliance must ensure that at no time in the forthcoming negotiations on troops reductions should the East-West balance of power be upset.

Michel Jobert of France said that Nato should not neglect its defence efforts and that the presence of U.S. troops in Europe remained a "fundamental element in our security."

Mr. Rogers repeated the American call for a review of Atlantic relationships within Nato, but this found little echo among the European partners.

The American Secretary of State told his fellow ministers that because of significant changes in East-West relations and within the Alliance, the NATO summit was being held up to 90 days. (Reuter)

Hence it was necessary to put "new conceptual framework" U.S.-European links.

Touching on the Middle East crisis, Mr. Rogers emphasized the Arabs and Israelis must come together for negotiations in some form or another. It was not possible for one side to devise or impose a solution.

Meanwhile, conference sources yesterday saw a conflict between Pentagon and Nato over contrary assessments of Soviet strength in Europe has caused a rift in the Alliance.

The conflict arose from a study study challenging Nato's that the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact has an overwhelming lead over West in men, arms and strength.

Conference sources said they expected the broad outlines of study were "leaked" for political reasons to facilitate an eventual withdrawal of American forces from Europe.

Last week Nato defence ministers made known their latest mates of Warsaw Bloc strength said the Communists are stronger than had been feared.

The Pentagon estimates, a "leak" to available information asserted on the other hand that the Alliance's conventional forces hold off a Warsaw Pact attack up to 90 days.

## SEVEN ARABS AT CYPRUS TRIAL 'Absolute beginner' put together terror bombs

NICOSIA (Reuter). — Bombs containing more than 80 kilos of dynamite were prepared for the April 19 attacks by an Arab group on the Israeli Ambassador's residence in Nicosia, and on an Israeli airliner, a police explosives expert told a court here yesterday.

All the bombs, he said, were put together by the same person, "who had absolutely no idea about explosives."

Police sub-inspector Louis Hadji-loizou added: "He was a complete amateur and an absolute beginner."

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## 22 lawyers to aid Khartoum terrorists

KHARTOUM (Reuter). — A panel of 22 lawyers will defend the eight Black September terrorists who seized the Saudi Arabian Embassy here and killed three Western diplomats last March, the Sudan Bar announced yesterday.

The attorneys are to appear before a judge tomorrow at a magisterial inquiry to decide whether charges are to be brought or the case dropped.

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## Acting U.S. Defence Secretary tells press LANES SALES TO ARABS VON'T ALTER BALANCE

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Acting Secretary William Clements yesterday told the U.S. press that the sale of Phantom fighters to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait would not alter the balance of power in the Middle East.

He said the sale of the Phantom is a symbol, not a substance, and that it is a symbol of the U.S. commitment to the defense of the Middle East.

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## Libya may nationalize more U.S. oil firms

Libya threatened American oil companies on Wednesday further nationalization of the country's oil industry, according to a demand for oil ownership in the Middle East.

Libya's leader, Col. Muammar Gaddafi, has been putting pressure on the American companies to give him a 100 per cent ownership in their Libyan operations. The demand has been practically rejected, and negotiations are to be resumed in Tripoli later this week.

Trippoli radio reported that Libya's Prime Minister, Abdel Salam Jalloud, is to meet with representatives of the American companies to renegotiate the participation demand. Sources here said it appears unlikely the companies will surrender to Gaddafi without a fight.

In Kuwait, Oil Minister Abdul Rahman Al-Atiqi said the government will open talks with Western oil companies "in the very near future" to revise the agreement under which Kuwait participates in the companies.

Al Atiqi said speculation on the results of the talks was out of place. He declined comment on reports that Kuwait would be seeking 100 per cent control of the companies operating on its territory. (AP, UPI)

## Tennis storm over banning

(AP). — Nikkei Pili, Yugoslav tennis star, yesterday said he was seeking a legal suit against the Yugoslav tennis association for banning him from their national team for life.

Meanwhile, Cliff Drysdale, president of the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP), said yesterday that 64 of the 97 players in ATP had signed assurances to support the association's proposed boycott of Wimbledon games. The ATP threatened to boycott the championships, which begin on June 25, unless the ban is lifted.

## Thousands flee in Burundi violence

DAR-ES-SALAAM, Tanzania (Reuters). — Thousands of refugees have started a new exodus from the small African republic of Burundi after reports of fresh tribal violence between the ruling minority Tutsis and the majority Hutus.

Official figures show that about 11,500 refugees have arrived here in the past month, most of them since an uprising last May 13.

This brings the total of refugees to reach Tanzania to 34,692 since May last year. Most of them are in the Ujuzukuli refugee settlement in central Tanzania.

The latest violence in the republic was climaxed by reprisals against the Hutus. Visitors to the border reported refugees streaming across into Tanzania in terror, sometimes as many as 1,200 in one day.

Similar violence followed a tribal uprising last year, which caused a massive influx of refugees; it was reported to have resulted in the deaths of 100,000 people.

Informed sources in the capital reported a high state of tension in the city, with riot squads on the streets and vigilante groups being formed.

Messages reaching Nairobi reported truckloads of bodies being driven through the city to mass graves at the airport.

## DEAL WITH SAUDIA 'BID FOR FAVOUR'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — America's sales of Phantom aircraft and other sophisticated weapons to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait should be seen "as designed to purchase the favour of these conservative (oil) producing states," the "Financial Times" said in an editorial yesterday.

The threat by the Arab world to use oil as a political weapon against Israel should be taken seriously, the paper believes. "Surprisingly, neither the U.S. nor Israel — at the political level at least — appears to have appreciated fully its significance."

The cumulative force of Arab talk about the oil "weapon" should not be underestimated. Its "effect is already discernible." America's decision to sell arms may be designed to help that country's balance of payments, but it should equally be seen as an effort to curry favour, the paper said.

The paper was not impressed with most of the talk so far about collective action by the Arabs, and it believed that both a total embargo against the West or a selective embargo against the U.S. could be ruled out.

However, the Saudi Arabia move of freezing production at the present level is seen by the paper as being capable of bringing the U.S. "to the brink of an energy crisis within one year."

"Even the conservative Arab producing states have felt obliged to say that the supply of their crude oil cannot be divorced from the Middle East conflict. Clearly the more moderate Arab producers do not feel strong enough to stand aside from the radical pressures in the Arab world."

## Sirhan guilty of threat to Golda

LOS ANGELES (UPI). — Sharif Sirhan, elder brother of the assassin of Sen. Robert Kennedy, was convicted on Wednesday of threatening the life of Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir.

A Federal Court jury returned the verdict after hearing evidence that Sirhan sent threats in an anonymous letter addressed to Secretary of State William P. Rogers last February 18. Mrs. Meir was visiting the U.S. at the time.

Sirhan's implication in the threat against Mrs. Meir was established through fingerprint and handwriting experts.

He is scheduled to be sentenced on July 2, and faces a possible penalty of five years' imprisonment.

## No talk at the disarm talks

GENEVA (AP). — The 25-nation Disarmament Talks which resumed after a six-week recess Tuesday met for three minutes yesterday and adjourned to next week because no delegates wanted to take the floor.

## THE ECONOMIC CONFERENCE Complaints — and some praise — from Britain

By DAVID LENNON  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Israeli officials may be well satisfied with the Third Economic Conference which concluded recently, but their buoyancy is not shared by all the delegates from overseas.

Participants in the British delegation believe that a considerable amount of benefit will come from the conference, not so much from the formal arrangements during the event, but from the informal meetings between the people who attended.

The set programme and its contents have come in for considerable criticism from some of the participants, who prefer to remain nameless.

One of the primary complaints which I have heard is that there were too many speeches and too many statements of a general nature about the GNP and the like while detailed information was hard to come by.

There was a lack of forethought by the conference planners, in the opinion of one delegate. "They seem to have thought that if they bring 1,000 businessmen to the Israel visitors will see what a wonderful country it is and will somehow find some way of involving themselves," he complained.

He said that at the meetings of committees the Israeli officials seemed to have little specific idea of what they wanted from the delegates. When pressed to explain what the businessmen could do, "the officials tended to reply with generalities about wanting our help."

Other complaints were that the specific projects which were proposed all seemed to involve millions upon millions of pounds. Nothing was offered to the investors with say half a million pounds at their disposal.

It was at this level too that some delegates found what they called another failure of planning: the relevant papers for the committees, they said, were made available only on the day of the session, instead of weeks in advance so that the delegates could have time to study the issues properly.

There was also an absence of detailed information, it was charged: when delegates sought to find out specifics, such as the cost per man hour of certain type of operation, no hard figures were produced.

## Talks for new Italy P.M. begin

ROME (Reuters). — Italian President Giovanni Leone yesterday began the long process of choosing a new prime minister.

His consultations with political leaders and elder statesmen on a new premier follow the resignation on Tuesday of Premier Giulio Andreotti's centre coalition government.

The resignation came after a congress of Mr. Andreotti's Christian Democrats, Italy's biggest party, voted for a centre-left alliance with the Socialists, Social Democrats and Republicans.

However, several prominent Socialists have now suggested they should support the new alliance, but not actually join the government coalition. This might be unacceptable to the other coalition partners.

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Furthermore this weekend the national council of the Christian Democrats must endorse Senate President Amintore Fanfani as party secretary. There is little doubt that will get enough votes but a slim majority would deal a blow to the image of party unity.

It would also jeopardize the position of veteran Christian Democrat politician Mariano Rumor who, with Mr. Fanfani's support, is virtually certain of being chosen to form a new government.

There may also be trouble from the Republicans who ended the Christian Democrat alliance with the conservative Liberals by withdrawing their support after a dispute over cable television.

## Pakistan may soon recognize Bangladesh

ISLAMABAD (Reuters). — Pakistan's President Zulfikar Ali Bhutto plans to go before the National Assembly next week to seek authority to recognize Bangladesh, diplomatic sources said here yesterday.

## Bomb blasts Belfast college

BELFAST. — Guerrillas set off a bomb in a Roman Catholic residence hall attached to Queen's University early yesterday.


Twelve nuns and a large number of other women inside escaped injury, but several were treated for shock, authorities reported.

They said the bomb was planted in a doorway near a room where a meeting was being held and the blast ripped out doors and caused slight structural damage.

It was the second bomb attack on the university in a week. Explosives planted in a fire extinguisher last weekend caused considerable damage, the authorities added.

On the Irish Republic border early yesterday, British troops fought a short, sharp battle with gunmen and seized five suspected Irish Republican Army (IRA) guerrillas, a British spokesman said. (AP, UPI)

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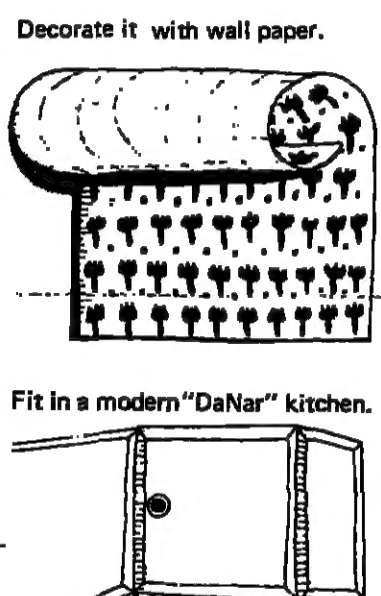


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Petrie saw that the number of letters used was limited and surmised an underlying alphabetic system. He proved to be right: the inscriptions at Serabit el-Khadem, dated by Egyptian finds to 1500 B.C.E., touched off modern scholarship into the origins of one of man's revolutionary inventions — a set of written symbols which allowed widespread literacy and has changed little in 3,000 years.

Some later scholars sought to link a desert genesis for the alphabet with the Israelites passing through Sinai. Unfortunately for this romantic idea, says Hebrew University epigraphist Joseph Naveh, by the time Moses led the Jews out of Egypt, the inscriptions were several centuries old and the invention of the alphabet probably a couple of centuries older.

What is clear is that the script was that of a people who spoke a Semitic tongue and were thus linked with the Hebrews. That indeed was the hypothesis which resulted in the script's partial decipherment by Sir Alan Gardiner in 1916 — a decade after the inscriptions were found.

Gardiner cracked the mystery by assuming the operation of an acrophonic principle, described later by the great scholar W.F. Albright as that of a child's primer: a is for able, b is for boy, c is for cat; it had long been believed that Hebrew letters began just that way, as simple pictographs whose initial consonants eventually became the value of the whole picture.

Gardiner noticed that five letters appeared in combination several times. They were **𐤀𐤁𐤂𐤃𐤄**.

Reading from left to right, he assigned them the following pictographs: ox-goad, house, eye, ox-goad, mark (Tav in Hebrew, the cross being a basic "mark").

Pronouncing each pictograph for its initial consonant, he read:

Lamed L (for [ma] lamed baker — ox-goad). Bet B (bayit — house), Ayin (a consonant still pronounced in Arabic and by Oriental Jews locally). The frontier of Egypt runs but which became silent in El Arish; and there Hebrew spoken by Western Jews was great excitement among our



One of man's earliest alphabetic inscriptions is seen in this Egyptian statue found at Serabit el-Khadem in Sinai. The five letters at the bottom read, from left to right, "L-Ba-lat" (to the Goddess). The statue is now at the Cairo Museum.

Bedawy friends when a rumour came that some Turkish soldiers had violated the frontier. To touch Sinai was to touch the independence of Egypt. Thus it was with Musri in the Old Testament. "Yet, on the other hand, there is not an Egyptian to be found in Sinai, except a small guard on the pilgrim road at Akaba, and the entirely modern quarantine station at Tor, which is a recent creation to deflect pilgrims before entering at Suez. In the same manner, we see that anciently the Egyptians sent expeditions to mine during the winter; but there is no trace of any permanent garisons, and the Israelites would find the land quite empty before them."

He digresses to give a note of "current prices in the Peninsula" which might be useful to future travellers ("Abu Qadey's terms are 20 piastres or 45 a day came; and man") and to indignantly relate some trouble he had with the local people: "For the purpose of copying and taking impressions I had obtained a quarter of a mile of Times printing-paper; but the roll was stolen

An archaeological in Sinai early century helped sat man's curiosity al the origins of alpha Sir Flinders Pet discovery at turquoise mine Seabit el-Khadem described here MAIKA RABINOW

by some of the mining Magh'arh, who are under trol; and we owed our pen of paper to the kindness of Nimr, the stor of Mohabti Cairo, who assisted us in a large stock a hearing of difficulty."

For the large number of v now following the beaten still quite rugged — truck rabbit el-Khadem — Petrie's cor make sense: "To any one who has a mo stock of spoke Arabic and knows which shaka to agree beforehand, there is no dif about travelling in Sinai; at points of precaution mention this account we show he accommodate European ideas actualities of life under such ditions. I would sooner go my Sinai friends than tra most countries in Europe." Petrie took the precaution having most of the Proto-S inscriptions removed to Cairo those who today blow his can see two which remain in long-c turquoise mines.

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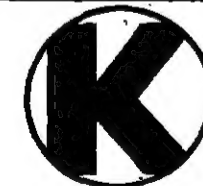
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By ABRAHAM  
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used to take me 10 minutes to drive downtown Kiryat Hayovel in the morning. Now it takes me 45 minutes. Just in the last 10 years, the city has become bumper to bumper on the way."

1968, less than a third of the people travelling Kiryat Hayovel in the morning were in private cars. The rest were in buses, almost half are in private cars. — Jerusalem traffic engineer.

"I keep our windows closed now to keep out the noise." — Housewife on Herzl Boulevard.

Jerusalem keep from being a city by the motor car, planner Bert Hornung, completed a six-month study of the city's traffic problems that it can and must.

Additional roads in Jerusalem are not being built, he says, but he says that if Jerusalem is to remain a livable city, the report, submitted to the city council, has been turned into a plan for some local planners and others.

Mr. Hornung, who led a planning mission in Edinburgh, was invited by the Municipality last year to study the city's road plans for the next 10 years.

After viewing the city, he suggested that the city should build a "road network" to modify the existing road network, he says, he suggests a carrot and stick method. The carrot would be a much improved bus system that would encourage people to leave their cars at home. This would include express buses, a flat fare regardless of distance travelled, free transfers between buses, and "park and ride" centres on the fringes of the downtown area where motorists could park their cars and board buses for

destroying the city." Their answer was: not far at all. Even the minimal road plan being considered for 1985, he found, meant the displacement of 2,000 persons from rights-of-way, the displacement of whole neighbourhoods, and the large scale intrusion of noise pollution, visual pollution and air pollution.

Mr. Hornung's primary concern was to preserve the fabric of the city, not to make life easier for motorists. He and his team found that the city hung together as a collection of neighbourhoods identified by their ethnic makeup, functional linkages or architectural composition.

To run major roads through these neighbourhoods would be to destroy them as entities. Only a handful of "cracks" could be found where roads might be inserted or expanded with minimal harm, such as the wedge of former no-man's-land north of Damascus Gate.

### Sharp limit

Mr. Hornung's solution is to sharply limit the number of cars that will pass through the centre of the city, where the greatest traffic problems exist. Close to half the traffic that presently enters downtown Jerusalem, he found, is merely passing through to some destination across town. An improved series of diversionary roads would be provided to siphon this traffic off (including the widening of the Valley of the Cross — Ben Zvi roadways from four to six lanes).

As for traffic destined for the centre of the city itself, Mr. Hornung proposes to curb it at the critical morning and afternoon peak hours by stopping people from taking their cars to work. For this he suggests a carrot and stick method. The carrot would be a much improved bus system that would encourage people to leave their cars at home. This would include express buses, a flat fare regardless of distance travelled, free transfers between buses, and "park and ride" centres on the fringes of the downtown area where motorists could park their cars and board buses for

the remainder of the journey downtown.

The stick would be a controlled system of parking in the downtown area which would discourage people from driving to work by making it prohibitively expensive to park all day, by limiting parking hours or by opening car parks after the normal work day has begun. At the same time, it would be made easier for shoppers to drive into town by eliminating the all-day parking and providing additional short-term parking areas. This would upgrade the centre as a commercially viable area. So would pedestrian malls and a mini-bus service to provide convenient transportation within the centre itself.

Mr. Hornung advocates a firm limit to commercial floor space in the city core, with additional growth being diverted to sub-centres at places like Mamhat near Kiryat Hayovel. Office development, presently planned on a grand scale in the centre, should be shifted to these outlying sub-centres, he says. "The office projects underway and proposed are primarily for government offices which functionally do not have to be in the core. They contribute considerably to peak hour congestion, to the encroachment into the Jerusalem skyline and the decline of residential areas."

Emphasis in the centre would be on retail trade, general business, entertainment and hotels. Instead of eliminating residential areas for roadways, Mr. Hornung calls for renewal and expansion of existing residential areas. A large close-in population adds to the commercial health of the centre. Shops in the core would become increasingly specialized as subcentres handle convenience shopping.

Mr. Hornung first presented his proposals publicly at a symposium earlier this month. The initial reaction of a panel of Jerusalem traffic engineers and planners was highly sceptical. While sympathetic with his concern for the city's environment, they did not believe that the city would be able to withstand the innumerable pressures of the motor car any better than other cities.

"The government and municipality are unlikely ever to implement such restrictions," said one traffic planner. "And if they do restrict traffic, it would lead to the deterioration of the downtown area."

A top municipality planner, however, says that Mr. Hornung's approach has already had a considerable impact on planning circles here and that far-reaching road outbacks recently decided on in Jerusalem were in large part attributable to his influence. Whether his recommendations will be accepted on a larger scale remains to be seen.

Mr. Hornung says the environmental approach to planning has taken hold in Europe during the past decade and he is confident that in Jerusalem too the future environment will be seen to deserve priority over unlimited freedom for car usage. "Among all cities in the world," he said, "Jerusalem deserves this environmental approach to be carried further."

Mr. Hornung, who is Jewish, is a survivor of a German concentration camp, as is his wife. He spent 20 years after the Second World War working as a planner in his native Prague where he won a number of planning prizes. During the Soviet invasion of 1968, he fled to Great Britain. Two weeks ago, after submitting his Jerusalem report, which is labelled an "Interim Report for Discussion," he returned to Edinburgh. He leaves behind, however, a three-man team — Andre Dral, Mike Johnson and Alex Bloch — who will work up detailed recommendations during the next six months. As part of the municipal planning division, Mr. Hornung is expected to return several times during this period on a consultative basis. Mr. Dral, who now heads the team, said in an interview this week that active support of the public was essential if the environmental approach to planning is to be accepted by the decision makers.

## Dan region's mayors want unity—up to a point

WHAT an incredible achievement — all six Dan Region mayors sitting around one table to discuss the major problems of the whole area. This must be the first time it happened! exclaims Kuba Kreizman, popular mayor of Givatayim, the region's smallest town. He was describing the recent three-day symposium at the Dan Casarea Hotel during which the mayors of Tel Aviv, Ramat Gan, Holon, Bat Yam, Bnei Brak and Givatayim managed to work out a generally worded agreement on a possible future confederation.

None of the six mayors was wholly content but all shared Kuba Kreizman's satisfaction at the very fact that they had met and managed to find as much common ground as they did.

Mr. Kreizman himself has long campaigned for union of Givatayim and neighbouring Ramat Gan, as a first step, but after years of wooing his neighbour, he has all but given up hope. A loose regional union might not solve all problems, but a solution along such lines seems possible, he says.

The Mayor of Tel Aviv, Mr. Yehoshua Rabinowitz, has long urged uniting the Dan Region's independent municipal entities. His city, the centre of the metropolitan area, has to bear the heavy burden of financing services for almost twice its population, while it can collect taxes only from its own 400,000 residents. But in point of fact the five satellite towns are far from parasites.

Givatayim, for example, celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. Its 50,000 residents live in what is a well high model town, albeit a far cry from the original nucleus which was Shchunat Borchov.

### Founders

The founders were mostly members of Gdud Ha'avoda who fled "capitalist" Tel Aviv. Today, however, there is little difference in the make-up of population.

But, although boom and development have dealt rural serenity a fatal blow, they have not replaced it with urban malaise. The towns can boast a well-organized, smoothly-functioning municipal administration, and educational and cultural services.

Nevertheless, residents from two sides of the same street pay taxes to different municipalities, vote for different mayors, send their children to different schools and have their garbage collected by two different sanitation teams.

Lack of coordination and overlapping services, however, are not the only problems. Givatayim has the region's smallest population because it is smallest in area. Hemmed in tightly between Ramat Gan and Tel Aviv, and with only 3,250 dunams of land within its city limits — it now has only 314 dunams left to be built on. Construction on 235 dunams of this tiny reserve is already scheduled to begin this year as part of the 50th anniversary programme. Mayor Kreizman promises that it will become the most modern housing complex in the vicinity with 40 dunams of green park-land. Instead of holding costly jubilee celebrations, Givatayim plans to put up a day care centre for toddlers and a second youth club.

### Territory

"By the end of 1973 we shall be left with less than 100 dunams of vacant land. If the town is not to stagnate, its border with Tel Aviv must be altered."

The "territorial issue" constitutes his chief objection to the agreement evolved at the mayors' meeting. "The issue of municipal borders was not dealt with, and I don't think we can leave it to some future confederated municipality to take up. My future cooperation in the confederation scheme is conditional on the setting up of a committee to examine the border issue."

The tentative guidelines for confederation of the Dan Region cities are far from clear. Both the majority recommendations of the mayors as well as the minority opinions are currently being studied at the request of the Ministry of Interior by a committee of experts headed by Tel Aviv University Professor Haim Ben Shalom. The committee will submit recommendations, based on the mayors' talks, to the Ministry.

Nearly every subject brought up at the mayors' meeting became a bone of contention. There was not even unanimous agreement on the basic need for some sort of municipal reform or the loosest form of cooperation. The mere mention of confederation is anathema to ultra-orthodox Bnei Brak which considers it a danger to its own unique way of life. Bnei Brak mayor Yisrael Gottlieb would not, for example, agree to cooperation in the field of transportation, since this might conceivably mean cars moving through Bnei Brak on the Sabbath. Regional planning for high school education also seems to be out of the question for Bnei Brak. (Both the Minister of Interior and his director-general, who are members of the National Religious Party, have, however, come out strongly in favour of some kind of municipal merger in the region.)

The other mayors are agreed that without close coordination in transportation, health, education, sanitation, ecology and planning, the Dan Region is headed for catastrophe. On the more basic question of what kind of union should be set up, it was Tel Aviv against all others. Tel Aviv's mayor Rabinowitz urged an all-out federation, with

towns like Ramat Gan and Holon, left with little more than the power to deal with kindergarten and primary education. Only such a system, insists Mayor Rabinowitz, would give the central regional administration — the "roof city" — real power. If it has to depend for funds on the existing local authorities, it will be impotent. Only if the regional council members are popularly elected, will they have the political base and the public's mandate to act, he argues.

Mr. Rabinowitz' proposals frighten most of the other mayors, who do not want their towns swallowed up by Tel Aviv. He has only one partial ally in Holon's mayor Pinhas Blyon in that Mr. Blyon also advocates powers of taxation for the new central administration. As chairman of the Union of Local Authorities, he is familiar with the problems of financing municipal services without an adequate tax revenue.

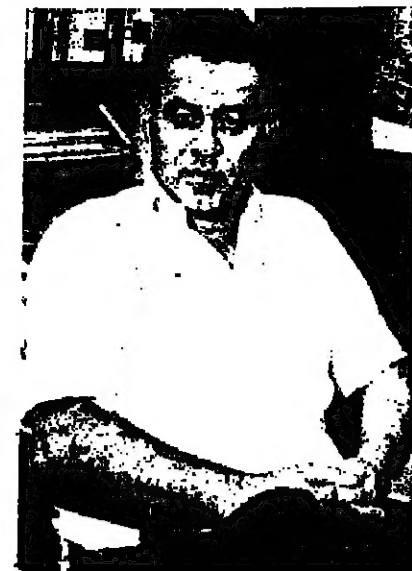
### Red tape

The opposite extreme is represented by Yisrael Peled, mayor of Ramat Gan, the sole Gahal-administered town in the area. "I am against centralism in local government, which produces more red tape and far less contact between the electorate and its representatives. An optimal size for a city is around 200,000 residents."

The majority of Dan Region mayors sided with him in opting for a decentralized system in which each city retains its autonomy. In short, they preferred confederation to outright federation. Each municipality would send representatives to a 33-member regional council, the number of representatives proportional to the size of the city's population, the majority decided. Day-to-day regional affairs would be run by an executive of seven, consisting of one mayor from each city plus an additional second member. Mr. Tel Aviv Mayor Rabinowitz wanted a nine-member executive, with four of its seats reserved for Tel Aviv.

Is all this nothing but wishful thinking, or is there any possibility that we may indeed see such a Dan Region municipal confederation in

The six municipalities of the Dan region are due for some type of union, but the mayors involved differ sharply on the degree of centralization. SARAH HONIG tells of the mayors' recent symposium which, incidentally, coincided with the 50th anniversary of the area's smallest town, Givatayim.



Givatayim Mayor Kuba Kreizman

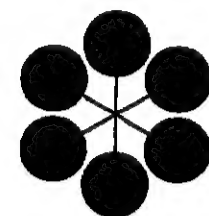
our life time? Mayor Kreizman is an optimist with reservations. "I think that it is all quite possible, providing the various municipal councils approve the scheme, providing the political parties do not sabotage it, providing the mayors are able to iron out their remaining differences and providing that all the incumbent municipal administrations are returned to office by the voters in November," he says. New mayors will mean having to start all over again.

Mayor Peled, on the other hand, feels that there is little cause for even this optimism. He points out that the confederation must be based on law. The Knesset must legislate it into being to give it legal authority. Thus dissident cities

like Bnei Brak, would be obliged to accept the majority decision. There also has to be a law to oblige the cities to finance the confederation. "This is vital," Dr. Peled says, but cautions that "it will take a long time. Nothing will be done before the elections. Then we shall have to wait until the new Knesset gets organized. This may mean a year before the subject is even considered. That is why I suggested that in the meantime we confederate voluntarily and try to do something about the anomaly in this region while there still is time."

This suggestion was rejected by the other mayors as inefficient. So the best we can hope for is a loose union sometime before the autumn of 1977.

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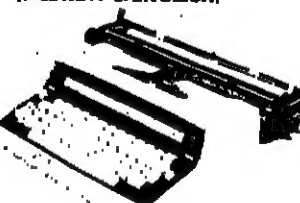
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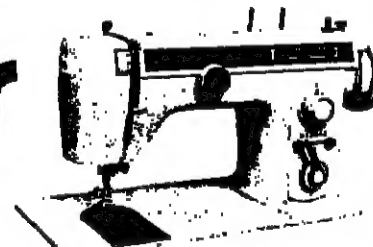


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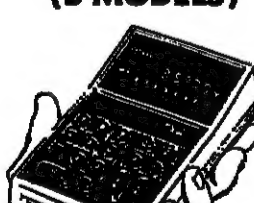
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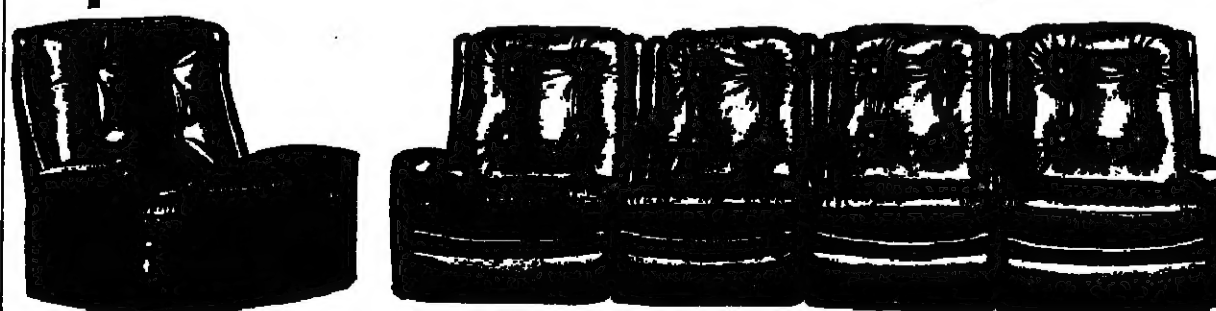
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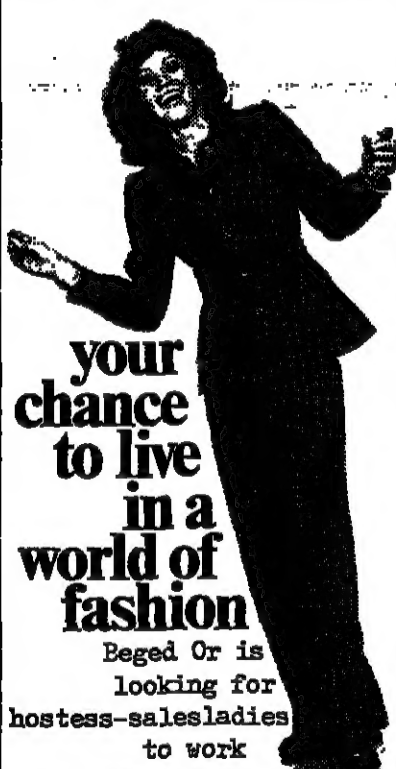
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## Crane to have six-man crew; two to work, four to watch

**JOSEF FREEDLER**, spokesman for the Port Authority, told *The Post* yesterday that the Council's Productivity Department had ruled, say, four men, it might have taken years, if ever, to get the crew size reduced to the number of men actually needed, i.e. two. But with four men sitting around doing nothing while only two work, we feel we do have a chance to cut the crew down to a reasonable size, possibly even to two men, when the measurements are completed," he explained.

The big crane is used only for specially-built container ships, "and there is simply no room in their holds for the (extra) men, unless they want to get squashed," the spokesman said. So the redundant men will have to sit around on the quay.

At the moment the redundancy problem is not yet acute, as, due to running-in difficulties, a couple of men are needed to open the crane's automatic "spreader," which

is not yet functioning properly. But the port management expects to lick that problem in a matter of days, if not hours.

Because both container ships and cranes are so expensive, the giant device will work in three shifts whenever a container ship is in the port. So in fact not four but 12 men will be drawing pay — including an automatic 50 per cent premium the Council has ruled for them — without doing anything.

The management considers this acceptable as a temporary measure, until the measurements are completed, "but it would be disastrous in the long run." If therefore hopes that the workers will eventually agree that having six men is "absurd" and will agree to a reduction — if not to two men, at least to three. The workers' committee has already made this conditional on finding "solutions" for the redundant men, a rather complicated matter in Haifa port since the workers there are organized in sectors, and refuse to move into jobs outside their particular sector.

The Labour Council has also ruled that, temporarily, until measurements are completed, the handling men for the crane be a very low automatic premium of 50 per cent if the men exceed the norm and premiums according to actual work done if they go beyond 13.5 per hour.

The crane was designed to handle 20 containers an hour, and in some ports two-man crews have already achieved a rate of 24 an hour after several months of running-in and operation of the feeder service. But some experts believe that setting such a low norm may lead to bigger efforts by the operating crews, as the men know that they can earn more by working harder, whereas with a high premium they might decide extra effort was not worth while.

Everybody expects that the measurements will not be completed until after the elections. Meanwhile, management feels it can live with the rate-container norm and pay the men the big premiums they will be able to earn. "The capital investment is so big and the number of men involved relatively so small that a few hundred pounds more makes no difference, as long as the crane works well," the spokesman noted. There could be no comparison, for instance with citrus fruit (where norms are also "ridiculously low"), which involves several hundred men.

## 'DESALINATION WILL DOUBLE PRICES'

**By ZEEV SCHUL**, Jerusalem Post Reporter

When sea-water desalination plants are put into operation, probably within less than a decade, the result is likely to be a doubling of the country's water prices.

Dr. Nathan Arad, director of Makorot's research and desalination

department, told *The Jerusalem Post* that desalinated water will probably cost eight times more to produce than present supplies. The higher price might cause the eventual elimination of several kinds of agricultural crops, and the water would instead be put to industrial use, where, with proper recycling, it could be used over and over again.

Prior to the introduction of desalination, it might also become necessary to reduce allocations to agriculture from the present 1,200 million cubic metres per year to about 1,000 million cubic metres.

Dr. Arad, who is also director of Makorot's engineering division, added that the total of current water production in Israel was about 1,500 million cubic metres per year. This included yields from sewage recovery and other unconventional sources, and was also approximately the equivalent of national consumption totals at present. Thus there was an urgent need for sea water desalination plants.

Attempts are now being made to increase the flow of the Kinneret and Jordan tributaries by improving cloud seeding methods over the upper Jordan and Kinneret watershed areas, Dr. Arad said.

Makorot recently observed the ninth anniversary of the activation of the national water carrier, the system of open conduits, pumping stations, tunnels and underground pipelines which has conveyed a total of over two-and-a-half milliard cubic metres of Lake Kinneret water since its inception.

### Congestion surcharges for ports to stay

**HAIFA** — The ports congestion board yesterday decided that the congestion surcharges on Ashdod and Haifa harbours will remain in force until the end of the month, when they will be reviewed again.

The ruling was made in spite of the improvement that has taken place in the ports during the past fortnight, in order to compensate the owners for the "very bad situation" during May. The surcharges have now been in force since January, and have cost importers and exporters an estimated 11.5m.

The board put off until its next meeting at the end of the month a demand from Zim to impose surcharges also on containerized cargoes, because container handling had also not been smooth in the ports.

### Port rejects blame for cement shortage

**HAIFA** — Only a single ship carrying a demand from Zim to impose surcharges also on containerized cargoes, because container handling had also not been smooth in the ports.

He noted that the ship Abdullah, a Turkish freighter which had brought 3,000 tons of clinker cement from Zim to Haifa, had put off the work on the grounds that it could not get the necessary trucks to take the clinker to its plant, he said.

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## Many want business with Israel

**By MACABEE DEAN**, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Most of the 29 countries sending representatives to Israel's "International Export Week" which ended yesterday think they can do more business with this country. This emerged at a round table discussion yesterday at which representatives of 16 delegations participated, 10 of which have already signed contracts. The host was Adin Talbar, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

From the views expressed, it was apparent that some of the best markets are relatively close to Israel. Iran, for example (which sent a 45-man delegation out of the 400 persons who came), is interested in buying chemicals, textiles and seeds. The short shipping distance, about 12 days, makes Israel favoured over other countries, it was said.

The Cyprus representative (one of 40 who came) thought his country — which already imports \$3m. a year from Israel — is one of the largest per capita importers. The short distance to Cyprus was also a factor.

Both the Greek and Turkish delegations were also impressed. Turkey is interested in "buying Israel know-how skills, as well as transformers and phosphates. The Greek representative noted that "until now I always thought that our two countries produced essentially the same products," and he found a wealth of electronics and chemicals here his country could buy.

The Austrian representative showed interest in electronics and the aircraft industries; Argentina in chemicals and electronics; Kenya in textiles, plastics, and pipes; England in "heavy engineering, chemicals, fashioning, West Germany in processed foods, metals, false teeth, and electronics.

A proposal to set up "joint ventures" with Israel came from Mauritius, while Zambia wanted to train "exporters and wholesalers" here. The Ghanaian "had made new contacts and strengthened old ones" while the delegate from Finland thought that the trade opportunities were so good that he proposed setting up a "Finnish-Israeli trade club" in his country.

At an Export Institute gathering yesterday, Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev said the Government would compensate exporters once a year for rising prices — but not every few months — so as to keep exports profitable.

On the proposal to raise the interest rate on directed credit to 9 per cent, Mr. Bar-Lev said this plan had been rejected on the grounds that it would give 11.5m. of the exporters' profits to the banks instead.

### CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION

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## MARKET

### ervous market slides lower

**K (AP).** — A nervous market slid lower yesterday, adding as investors seemed to make up their minds by afternoon.

Declining issues on the New York Stock Exchange led advances by about two to eight. Although the margin varied, declines outnumbered advances throughout the day.

The Dow Jones index of 30 industrial stocks closed down 12.57 points at 902.92.

Because of technical difficulties all the stocks were not received last night.

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## SADAT AND HIS TRAVELS

**E**GYPTIAN President Anwar Sadat's travels this week, to Libya and Syria, reflect his stubborn problems.

Alarmed at the meaning of Libya's cultural revolution, Sadat flew to Tripoli for talks with his volatile ally, Mu'ammer Gaddafi.

Tripoli Radio, taken over by a new popular committee like most institutions in Libya, has been calling upon Egyptians to follow suit. Sadat undoubtedly feels that such insurrection could be infectious, and in any case is not the kind of thing he contemplated digesting as part of the union with Libya, scheduled to go into effect on September 1.

Gaddafi for his part probably intends the cultural revolution, which weakens the power of the state bureaucracy, to make it more difficult for Egyptians to walk in and settle themselves at strategic places once the union takes effect. For the Libyans no doubt fear that with union they could be swamped by an influx of Egyptian officials.

Gaddafi's manoeuvres also played a role in Sadat's visit to Damascus. The Libyan leader had earlier accused Lebanon of seeking to liquidate the Palestinian terrorist movement. He also charged that Lebanon's Maronite

Christians, who control the Presidency, treated Lebanese Muslims like 3rd class citizens.

Significantly a communique after Sadat's visit in Damascus affirmed the need for national unity in Lebanon. Unlike Gaddafi, Sadat has no interest in fomenting division in or with Lebanon. On the contrary he probably sought to find a formula that would ease the tension between Damascus and Beirut, which has taken security measures, including the expulsion of thousands of Syrian labourers, that have angered the Syrians.

Sadat does not want another round of internecine Arab warfare. He has enough difficulties on his hands in trying to maintain a posture of Egyptian leadership at a time when all his efforts to buy time in the conflict with Israel seem to be going awry. His latest move to promote some kind of Security Council action has also proved a disappointment.

What he needs, therefore, is the appearance of a unified Arab effort of preparation under his baton, and thus with himself in control of the time-table of events.

But with no real solution in sight to the tensions in Lebanon, as the resignation yesterday of Prime Minister Bakir Shwayy, and with a continually capricious Gaddafi to plague him, Sadat must do some fancy stepping.

## RUSSIANS SEE U.S. CRITICS 'SEARCHING FOR TRUTH'

By DEV MURARKA

**MOSCOW (Otas). —** GEORGE Kennan, former American Ambassador in Moscow and long considered here as an architect of the cold war by virtue of a famous article in "Foreign Affairs" in 1947, and Professor Zbigniew Brzezinski, a student of Soviet affairs who has almost always been highly critical of the Soviet Union, have suddenly lost their status as better noises of the Soviet press. This astonishing change in the Russian view of these men is a measure of the growing depth of Soviet-American intimacy.

One characteristic of this intimacy is that Moscow exhibits an open preference for the solid right wing of the U.S. political spectrum and is rather contemptuous of the liberal critics of President Nixon, be it on Vietnam, on Watergate or on any other issue except when their opinions on foreign policy coincide with those of Moscow. But even so, praise for Kennan and Brzezinski is extremely unusual by Soviet standards, and it becomes even more significant when such praise shows signs of being given after long and hard deliberation in high circles.

In the October 1972 issue of "Foreign Affairs," its fiftieth anniversary number, Kennan and Brzezinski wrote two articles reviewing the cold war in historical perspective and its consequences for American and Soviet foreign policy. Some eight months later, the weekly "Za Rubezhom" has published a long commentary on these two articles signed by V. Bolshakov.

The commentary is a curious one in many ways. On the surface it is a debunking of the theories of the cold war propagated by Kennan and Brzezinski in earlier days. It is full of the usual tub-thumping by Soviet commentators as to how the Soviet Union was right and how the Americans were wrong. It is not the Soviet Union which is changing its policy, it says, but the Americans who are beseeching Moscow for cooperation because the cold war has "undermined the country from within." From this analysis the writer in "Za Rubezhom" proceeds to assert that many people are still dreaming of keeping the cold war alive though there are a few who have seen the error of their ways, and are searching "hesitantly" for new ways.

Among these hesitant searchers are Brzezinski and George Kennan.

But even then, Brzezinski is viewed more as an unrecanted cold war warrior because essentially, while recognizing the changed nature of super-Power relations, Brzezinski believes, according to "Za Rubezhom," that "in the new conditions the combined effect of international pluralism and internal pressure would exert a more profound influence on the nature of the Soviet system than on that of the American one." This is regarded by Mr. Bolshakov as the same conclusion as drawn by Kennan in his article 25 years ago. He regards Brzezinski as a prisoner of his own myths.

### Warm praise

The author says that Kennan himself no longer believes in his old thesis. For a man who was invariably strongly attacked in Soviet writings until recently, the praise for Kennan is extraordinarily warm and extensive. This is because Kennan recognizes that the Soviet Union's military potential cannot impose their will even on smaller Powers, as the Vietnam war has proved. Other items in the catalogue of praise for Kennan include his support for Chancellor Willy Brandt's Ostpolitik, for a European Security Conference and reduction of troops in Europe.

Most admirable in Soviet eyes is Kennan's main conclusion that today there are no problems or interests in the world which would justify the insanity of a Soviet-American war. Mr. Bolshakov adds: "Mr. Kennan is expressing truly sensible ideas. And though in his convictions he remains a person hostile to the ideology of Communism (which, by the way, he does not conceal), the evolution of his views is quite eloquent and symptomatic."

From this the logical conclusion drawn by Mr. Bolshakov is that the new Soviet-American relations will serve not only the interests of the two peoples, but of all mankind as well. After all this, it seems that it can only be a matter of time before Mr. Kennan and Mr. Brzezinski are warmly received in Moscow to further the détente with Washington.

## Readers' letters

### JERUSALEM'S NIGHT LIGHTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — As a loving citizen of Jerusalem I would like to express the desire to have the authorities switch off the lights which nightly illuminate the Israel Museum.

The building is certainly not an architectural structure of such beauty or significance that it has to be "enjoyed" also at night: the daylight hours should be amply sufficient. The crude lights thrown on its cold and shapeless walls create an atmosphere reminiscent of an operating room and are not in harmony with the beautiful surroundings. It would be better to save this money and leave those walls mercifully concealed in darkness.

On the other hand, I would suggest that proper lighting of the Valley and the Mount of Olives, the Cross and the Church of the Mount of Olives, for which our Municipality deserves the gratitude of all Jerusalem lovers.

JERONATHAN PRATO  
Jerusalem, June 7.

### KIND ISRAELIS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — I had heard that Israelis did not have any sense for service; that may be true, but they are very nice to tourists. My husband and I are overwhelmed by the spontaneous and sincere kindness which we met with all over. Young men stood up in a bus to let an older woman sit down (that would never happen in Stockholm); a nice man in Egged helped us get on the right bus without being harassed in the door (Friday afternoon in Tel Aviv); nice small talk was carried on in shops, an unknown lady showed us a shorter way back to the hotel, etc. We felt welcome all over, from El-Elat to Mevasser.

We certainly understand why everybody on the flight home already started to plan another trip!  
SOLVIG KARLSON  
Stockholm, May 1973.

### LIBERALIZATION IN SOVIET RUSSIA?

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — The picture of Chagall arriving in Moscow for the exhibition of his paintings in Moscow's Tretyakov Museum (June 7) is another proof of the liberalization going on in Soviet Russia.

When, upon the invitation of the Soviet Women's Committee in Moscow, we visited Soviet Russia in 1964, we were taken on an official tour of the Tretyakov Museum in which not a single Chagall painting was exhibited. At the end of the visit, I asked the official guide why Chagall's paintings were not exhibited and we were told this was because Chagall did not paint in the spirit of the Communist Revolution. You will, I am sure, agree with me that this is a most ridiculous approach to art.

To read in your paper that the same Museum is putting up for the first time in 50 years a Chagall exhibition certainly points to a liberalization, also in art.

BAYA JAGLOM,  
President, World Wise  
Tel Aviv, June 7.

### CANTOR HERSCHTICK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — You have written on several occasions that Cantor Herschtick had refused to chant the Hallel at the Independence Day service, and that is not true! He refused to say the benediction relating to saying Hallel but was ready to chant the Hallel without the benediction, according to the ruling of the Chief Rabbi. In the booklet edited and distributed by the Ministry of Religious Affairs for Remembrance and Independence Day services, it is expressly stated that the Hallel should be chanted without benediction.  
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## Why the summit alarms France

By JACK MAURICE

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

**P**ARIS. — PRESIDENT Pompidou has other worries besides his health, which is still the subject of unflinching speculation in the French press. The French leader is alarmed about the consequences of the visit which Mr. Leonid Brezhnev, Secretary-General of the Soviet Communist Party, is to pay to the United States from June 18 to 26.

Pompidou has grounds for concern. As seen from Paris, it looks as if the Brezhnev-Nixon summit is going to produce concrete results. This was certainly not the case for Pompidou and Nixon when they met in Reykjavik at the end of May. But, apart from the jolt to his prestige, the French President fears that the decisions about to be taken by the Soviet and American leaders in Washington will be at the expense of France and her Common Market partners.

France's uneasiness over the U.S. project for a new Atlantic Charter was not allayed by last week's visit here from Dr. Henry Kissinger. The American President's chief adviser came to Paris to clarify the American project for revamping the Western Alliance which he announced in April.

The French suspect the Americans are in cahoots with the Russians in pressing for a new organization of non-communist, industrialized countries. Pompidou told Nixon in Iceland that he did not see the need for such a new body. Kissinger's talks here with the new French Foreign Minister, Mr. Michel Jobert, have failed to illuminate the U.S. intentions.

The French are asking why existing organizations, such as Nato, cannot be used. They are wary of Mr. Kissinger's references in his "new charter" speech to a new "unifying framework," a "new relationship" and "new types of co-operative action." They are suspicious of the intentions behind Kissinger's statement that European unity is not "an end in itself" and "united by the meaning of the new order of responsibilities." The French wonder whether this means a global role for the U.S. but only a regional role for Europe.

### Reluctant

The French are understandably reluctant to be dragged into any new organizational structure without knowing its precise outline. They regard the Kissinger proposals as a ploy to weaken the Common Market's front in the coming trade negotiations with the United States during which the Nine's common farm policy will come under sustained American fire. The French also see the "new Atlantic Charter" as a red herring which will enable the Americans to drag their feet on reaching a new international monetary agreement.

President Pompidou is more worried than any of his fellow Western European leaders that the situation in Western Europe may be radically changed by the developing détente between the U.S. and Soviet Union. Although Nixon gave him assurances to the contrary in Iceland,

### What Eban said

In developing the thesis — in these columns yesterday — that "when diplomats and journalists see themselves as adversaries, they become allies in cheapening debate," it was stated wrongly that Foreign Minister Abba Eban had proposed at the proceedings of the International Press Institute this week that in the interests of diplomacy the press should be censored.

Mr. Eban suggested that journalists should voluntarily exercise restraint in order not to hamper quiet diplomacy.



Nixon and Pompidou in Reykjavik — smiles conceal the uneasiness

land, Pompidou is far from convinced that the Americans do not intend to withdraw their troops from the Continent and to expose France to a direct Soviet threat by accepting the neutralization of Central Europe.

Pompidou's concern has been heightened by the warning to Nato from U.S. Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger that the European allies will soon have to foot the entire bill for the upkeep of the 300,000 G.I.s stationed in Europe. The French have already made clear that they do not intend to contribute a centime: firstly, because France withdrew from the military alliance in 1966 under General de Gaulle, secondly, because France has never demanded a pre-nig from the West Germans for maintaining French troops in the Federal Republic.

But, even more important in French eyes, is the long-term result of abdication to American pressure. In the final communique from Washington to Nixon would be to recognize the U.S. as sole leader of the renovated Atlantic alliance which Kissinger is canvassing. Against this background of intrigue, Pompidou and his advisers are convinced that Nixon will cook up a new plot in Washington with Brezhnev. The French President fears a new Yalta at the expense of France and its European neighbors. The commercial agreement between the Soviet Union and the U.S. seen here as a move to close markets to French exports. A cent big deals signed in Moscow are seen here as the a sign on the wall for French common expansion in the Soviet Union when Brezhnev rounds off his visit with Nixon next week, there French eyes, is the long-term result of abdication to American pressure. In the final communique from Washington to Nixon would be to recognize the U.S. as sole leader of the renovated Atlantic alliance which Kissinger is canvassing.

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Al Hanihshar (Mapam) writes that Egypt wants to isolate Israel in the Security Council before the Nixon-Brezhnev summit. Israel must thwart these efforts which, if successful, would make her even more dependent on the United States. It expresses surprise at Britain for calling for withdrawal from all the territories despite assurances by Lord Caradon during his visit to Israel that resolution 242 did not call for total withdrawal. Britain now seems to have taken the Franco-Soviet view.

Davar (Histadrut) writes that the

main difference between the Coalition's resolution concerning Soviet Jewry and that of Gahal (which was rejected) was that the motion as passed recognizes the efforts of the U.S. President to remove obstacles in the way of emigration. Matzofe (National Religious) writes on Wednesday's incident on the Lebanese border in which an Israeli officer was killed. "For two months there has been calm on this border and the terrorists have been engaged in clashes with the Lebanese authorities. Now that the two sides have reached agreement, terrorist activity is being resumed. It is not yet clear whether the gang acted with the approval of the Lebanese authorities."

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